

BE A HOME HERO THIS SUMMER

Winchester Churches Nightshelter
needs you!



The Nightshelter has become a day centre too during the pandemic and it needs your help to keep this 24/7 support going for as long as possible for people experiencing homelessness.



Fundraising ideas:

Have a clear out & sell your old toys

Hold your own family summer fair

Have a cake sale

Rehearse & film a talent show to send to family & friends

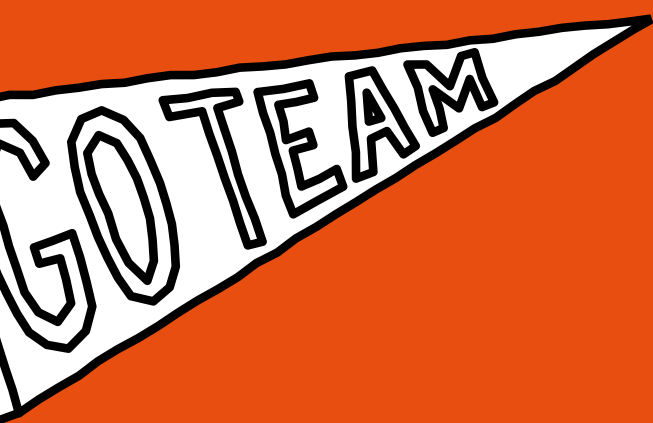
Set yourself a fitness goal & be sponsored to achieve it

Host a virtual disco

Be sponsored to give something up

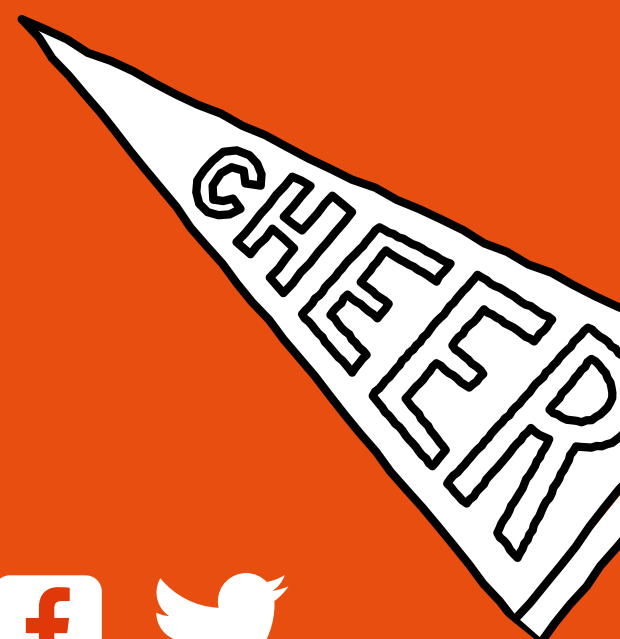
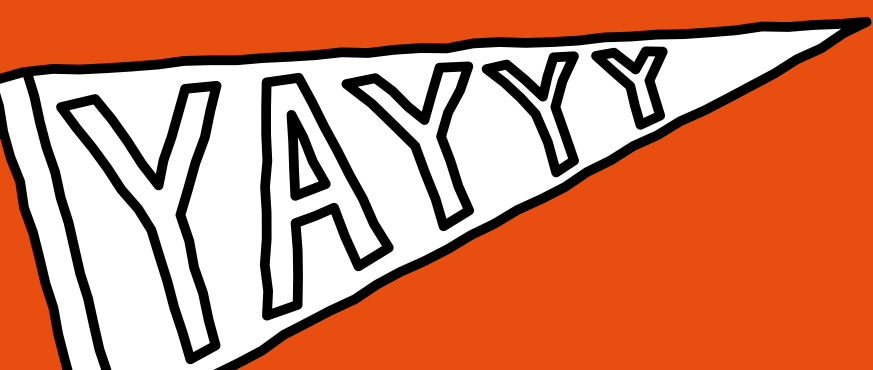


Be a hero from home and help
people without a home



#HomeHero

Find out more:
www.wcns.org.uk





Step-by-step guide to becoming a Home Hero

Step #1

Choose your event or activity

Begin by deciding whether you are going to hold an event or take on a sponsored challenge for your fundraiser. Check out our list of ideas on the next page.

Step #2

Get planning

If you are holding an event, think about how to let friends and family know about your plans. Perhaps you need to make posters or invitations. Even a virtual event needs advertising!

If you are taking on a sponsored challenge you might need to plan some practise or training.

Step #3

Sell tickets or collect sponsorship

People coming to your event, either in person or virtually, could be asked to donate money for a ticket. If you are taking on a challenge, ask friends and family to sponsor you. There is more below about setting up online fundraising.

Step #4

Let the Nightshelter know

We'd love to hear what you are planning so that we can think of you on the day and send some words of support. Email marketing@wcns.org.uk and tell us what you are doing to be a Home Hero.

Step #5

The big day

When the big day arrives make sure as well as organising you make some time to enjoy yourself! Take photos if you can so that you can share them with the Nightshelter and perhaps your school would like to see them too.

Step #6

Celebrate!

Once the event or challenge is over take a moment to pat yourself on the back! Then let the Nightshelter know how much you raised, by emailing marketing@wcns.org.uk, we will then send you a Home Hero certificate for your wall!

Online sponsorship

You can set up online sponsorship forms via sites such as JustGiving and VirginMoneyGiving. Head over to www.wcns.org.uk and click on Donate Money where you will find links to both these pages. Or, you might prefer to print out our paper sponsorship form below.

If you are holding an event such as a family summer fair which involves people buying tickets you could still set up a fundraising page and ask them to donate via the page. Or they could donate the price of the ticket via our website.

How will the money you raise help?

It can be hard to know what to do to help when you see someone who is homeless and living on the streets. The Nightshelter is a place where people who find themselves homeless can come and stay and get support to make positive steps forward. Check out our website, www.wcns.org.uk and read a bit more about us so you can tell people what you are raising money for.

At the moment, because of the pandemic, residents are able to stay inside the Nightshelter all day AND all night. This is so we can keep them safe. We really want to keep it like this for as long as possible until things are a bit more normal.

So the money you raise will make it possible for us to support more people who are homeless by giving them somewhere safe to stay and helping them to move into their own home. Together we can change lives.



Five facts about the Nightshelter

The Nightshelter was set up 30 years ago.

Each year we serve over 12,000 meals to people experiencing homelessness.

Residents stay until the Nightshelter helps them to find a place to stay.

Each resident works with a Project Worker and has the chance to receive counselling and other support.

Between 100-120 people stay at the Nightshelter each year.





GO TEAM

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Fundraising ideas



Summer Fair

Whether you do it virtually or in person, arrange a summer fair for a small number of friends and family. Either charge an entrance fee or ask for a contribution per game. Guess the Number of Sweets in the Jar, Guess the Name of the Teddy would all work well virtually as well as at an actual event.

Camp out

Collect sponsorship to camp in your garden with friends or family. Or how about creating a festival atmosphere and practising some music, drama or dance performances to perform to the grown ups?



Talent Show

Time to show off your talents! Plan, practise and perform your talent to friends and family or involve everyone and arrange a time when you all come together online via Zoom or similar and take it in turns to perform a talent. Ask everyone to donate to take part!



Sponsored challenge

Can you walk 3 miles a day? Can you learn to juggle? Can you learn to count to 100 in another language?

Be inspired by four siblings who recently set themselves a challenge of bouncing non-stop on their trampoline for 24 hours, they achieved it and raised over £1000 for the Nightshelter! Wow!

Hold a sale

Whether you bake cakes or have a clear out and sell your old toys, holding a sale is a great way to raise money. You could hold the event on your drive or in your garden and invite friends and family at specific times to avoid it getting too crowded.



Dance the night away

Bring some grooves and moves to the weekend with a virtual disco. Plan your set of music and then invite friends and family to join in virtually. They could donate a ticket price or perhaps give each time a tune they like is played!

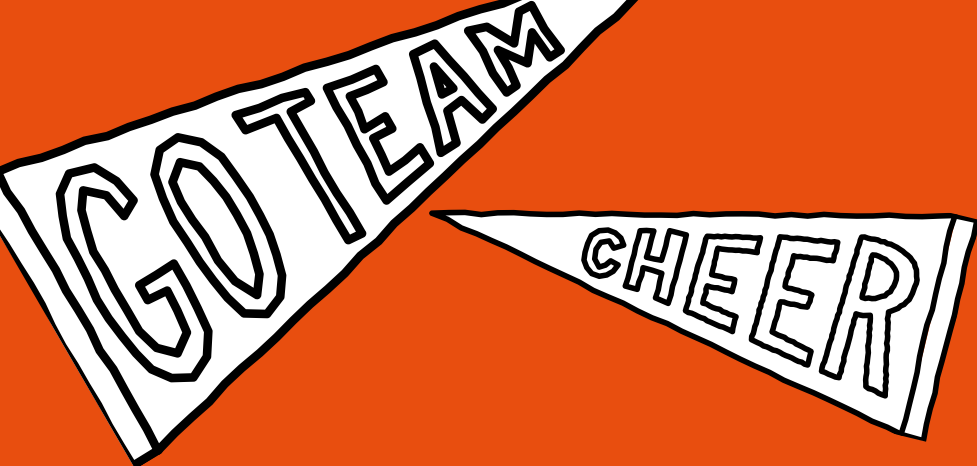


Your own brainwaves!

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You might have noticed that in recent weeks there has been a lot of talk about things such as 'social distancing'. Please make sure that you get a grown up to check that any activity or event you plan fits in with the rules and guidance from the government. And if it doesn't, don't give up! There is always another way!



Plan your event

My fundraising idea

Things I need to do to make it happen

Tick when complete

Don't forget to let the Nightshelter know your plans so that we can cheer you on!
Email marketing@wcns.org.uk



Sponsorship Form

Please support me to be a Home Hero and help people who are experiencing homelessness. This is how I am raising money for Winchester Churches Nightshelter:

Name	Address*	Amount	Date of donation	Gift Aid Please tick	Paid

Gift Aid - If you choose to give Gift Aid then the Nightshelter can make 25p extra for each pound you donate. *Your address is required for the Nightshelter to claim Gift Aid. **Gift Aid Declaration - if I have ticked the box headed Gift Aid then I can confirm that I am a UK Income or Capital Gains taxpayer. I have read this statement and want Winchester Churches Nightshelter to reclaim tax on the donations detailed on this form, made on the date shown. I understand that if I pay less Income Tax/Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all of my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference. I understand the charity will claim 25p of tax on any £1 that I have given.